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CHANGES IN APPLICABILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND SUBMISSION OF VESSEL & FACILITY SECURITY PLANS

This Port Community Information Bulletin (PCIB) is to inform owners and operators of vessels and facilities that the Coast Guard has changed the applicability of 46 CFR Part 104 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act, as outlined in the Federal Register on Friday, February 28, 2003, to include a barge carrying Certain Dangerous Cargo (CDC) in bulk. Also, the Coast Guard has changed the definition of CDC in 33 CFR part 160 to include ammonium nitrate based fertilizers, in bulk, as well as propylene oxide, alone or mixed with ethylene oxide, in bulk. This change is necessary to promote maritime safety and security of vessel's that carry these cargoes. The temporary final rule is effective from September 17, 2004, through March 20, 2006 at which time it will become permanent.

The change in applicability will cause some vessels and facilities to become subject to the security planning requirements of 33 CFR parts 104 and 105 for the first time. This rule conforms the vessel applicability section in part 104 to include these cargoes and provides these vessels and facilities with a delay in complying with the requirements of parts 104 and 105. Vessels and facilities affected by this rulemaking must submit security plans to the U.S. Coast Guard in accordance with 33 CFR Parts 104 and 105 not later than December 16, 2004. They must be operating in full compliance with the requirements of Parts 104 and 105 not later than March 16, 2005. Further information on the development and submission of security plans can be found at http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/mp/security.html

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